



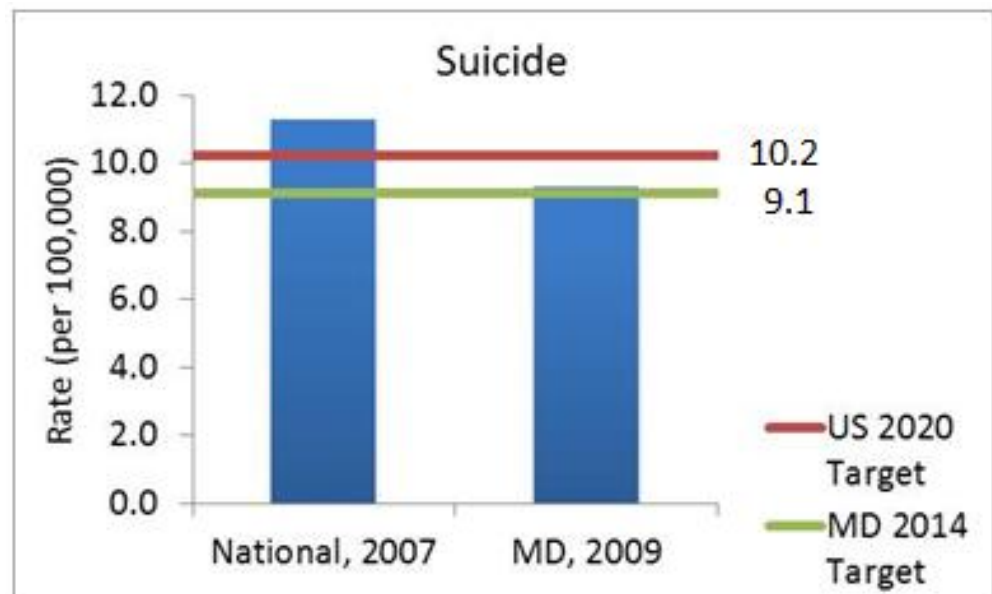
Vision Area 2: Healthy Social Environments

Objective 8: Reduce the suicide rate

Suicide is a preventable public health concern effecting individuals, families, and communities. Between 1999 and 2005, suicide was the 13th ranking cause of death in Maryland with an average of 471 residents dying each year. A majority of suicides are associated with preventable and treatable mental illnesses and behavioral health practices.

Statistics and Goals

Measure: Rate of suicides (per 100,000 population)



Source: National Vital Statistics System and Maryland Vital Statistics Administration

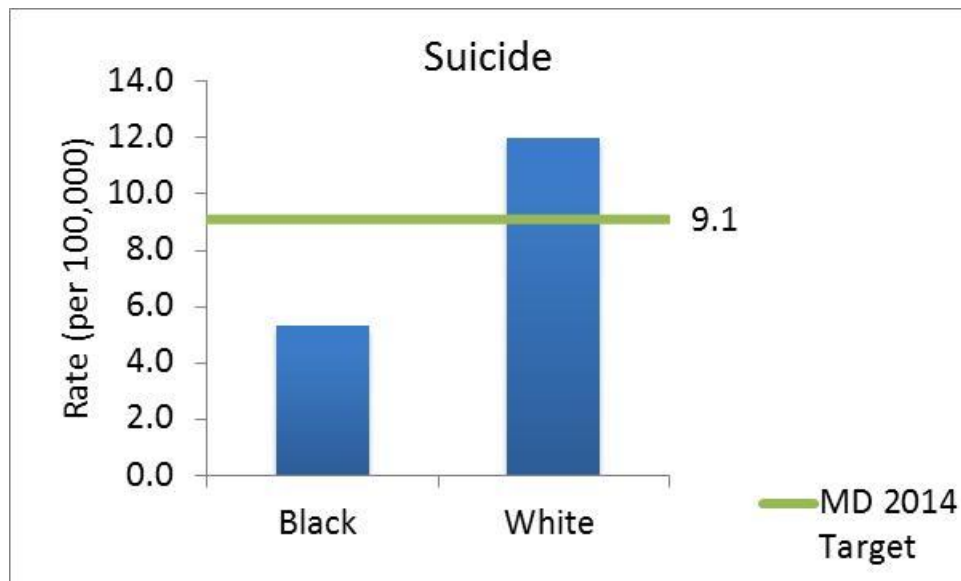
National Baseline	Maryland Baseline	Healthy People 2020 Target	Maryland 2014 Target
11.3	9.6	10.2	9.1

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Disparities in Maryland

Rate of Maryland suicides (per 100,000 population) by race



Source: Maryland Vital Statistics Administration, 2009 - Race and Hispanic origin are reported separately on the death certificate. Rates for counts less than twenty are not presented due to rate instability

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